

### Welcome to the November newsletter from the Island Free School.

**Dear Parents** 

### **Admissions**

We are delighted with the number of admission applications that we have received from Year 6 parents across the Island. If you are a parent of a Year 6 pupil and have not yet completed our online admission form, then please remember that the admission process for our school will remain open until Monday 2 December. To complete an application, please visit <a href="https://www.theislandfreeschool.org/apply/">www.theislandfreeschool.org/apply/</a>

Please remember that if we are oversubscribed your child may not get a place at our school, so it is vital that you also choose a back-up school via the local authority's common application form.

# **Open evening**

October has been a very busy and exciting month for all of us at The Island Free School. The team was overwhelmed with the number of parents and colleagues who attended our open evening on Monday 21 October. We would like to thank everyone who made the evening such a success, and we are really pleased with the feedback that we received. If you have any further questions or would like more information please contact us via <a href="mailto:admin@theislandfreeschool.org">admin@theislandfreeschool.org</a>. Our prospectus can be downloaded from <a href="mailto:www.theislandfreeschool.org">www.theislandfreeschool.org</a>

## **Staffing**

The Head Teacher has begun the process of appointing outstanding staff for the school. Advertising will begin in December with the first round of interviews taking place throughout January and February. We will share details of all appointments in forthcoming newsletters and via the website.

Chair of Governors, Warren Riches, has been inundated with letters, emails and phone calls from parents and community members interested in becoming Governors to the school. The members and directors of the school will begin to short list candidates in the coming weeks. If you are interested in becoming a Governor, please contact Warren via the school's website. Governor training will be available so the only prerequisite is a passion for learning.

### Site

We hope to announce both the permanent and temporary sites very soon. Our Project Director from the Education Funding Agency informs us that negotiations for both sites (to be in Ventnor) are progressing well and we hope to share details before the end of November.

### **Transport**

Transport arrangements for all students are being organised in conjunction with the local authority. Full details of our transport policy should be available on our website before the end of the month.

Kind regards,

The Island Free School Team

An Island School for Island Families offering outstanding education for all